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SCORING GUIDE (for reference–when making final decision, use scoring guide below)
Name: Elgin Parks and Recreation District Address: P.O. Box 128 Elgin, OR 97827 Email address: parksandrecreationsupv@cityofelginor.org Phone number: 541-786-1662
County: Union
Org Mission/primary activities: The Elgin Community Center primary focus has been to provide activities for children and adults. We host a seasonal pool, open summer months only. Senior organizations meet monthly as well as weekly bingo sponsored by the Lions Club. We strive to keep our rates and fees at a minimum, in order to be accessible to all student and adults in the community. A fitness center rents space in the community center with same goal, keeping rates low enough so there are no limitations on membership.
Number of anticipated participants: K-5: 0-50 6-8: 0-50 9-recent grad: 0-50
County/counties where youth will be served: Union
Program focus:
Program description: In an effort to provide more opportunities for the youth in our community we are applying for additional funding for our summer swim program and healthy exercise program. The additional funding would allow the Elgin Parks and Recreation District to add additional adult support for guard supervision, increase the number of guards employed at the pool during the summer swim season, hire staff dedicated strictly to the office (training student staff), hire adult help in the exercise gym that could support student and community access and provide guidance and age specific classes and instruction. With these hires we would be able to offer expanded swim lessons to the families in our community by reducing the cost, with expanded staff we could serve additional children in a safer manner, getting necessary swim instruction to more children. We would be able to provide supervision and training in the area of healthy/safe exercise and get more students and community members engaged in healthy exercise, learning the right way to exercise to benefit their health and wellness. In addition, we are requesting additional funds to make upgrades in our locker rooms to better serve the community members utilizing the pool and gym area. We would like to install lockers, upgrade our showers (to make them more accessible to senior citizens and those with disabilities.) We would like to replace outdated equipment in the gym area and add safety upgrades.

Groups receiving additional support: Families/youth of color, Families/youth impacted by disabilities, Families/youth navigating poverty, homelessness, or foster care, Families/youth from rural communities

How will the org specifically support those groups? Through this program we will hope to offer the opportunity for more students to be trained in a job skill that they can use as summer employment in our community, a job skill they can use as they progress through post-secondary education, and a job skill some may pursue as adults. Because our community has a student population in excess of 68% that qualify for free and reduced meals in the school system we would be targeting families that live in poverty (both generational and work related) and are isolated by our rural area.

Limited access to job opportunities in our rural county is a true issue for the younger community members in our town. Transportation to job opportunities is a major factor. We don't have the capacity to transport students, but we do have the capacity to build their job skills, giving them the opportunity to find success in future job searches.

However, we would like to continue that focus on to families/youth of color and those impacted by disabilities. We see more and more children in our community whose ability to "cope" is impacted by social/emotional limitations as well as medical diagnosis that impact their coping abilities. In our small rural community it is nearly impossible for a student with limit social/emotional skills to find employment, we would like to help support that pursuit for those students seeking employment. We would focus our adult hires on those with skills to impact and support those youth.

Consultation or involvement of groups in design: Our organization has connected with the Elgin School District, the Elgin Lions Club, the Elgin Senior Citizen group, Owners and members of the fitness club, and community members while developing a focus area for this concept. Through informal conversation we have contacted members of the fitness club to determine what they would like to see, we have visited with families who have utilized the pool for swim lessons, and students who are looking for summer employment and struggling to find options.

Amount requested: $52,750.00

Total overall summer program budget: $42,000